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1. [REDACTED] was up to brief me concerning pertinent items in the Logistics Office:

- a. He assured me that the [REDACTED] construction projects were now going smoothly.
- b. He advised that the [REDACTED] rental situation appeared to be working out satisfactorily. We have recommended [REDACTED] that they adopt the rates recommended by our station [REDACTED] and are awaiting their approval which we anticipate will be forthcoming.
- c. He advised that [REDACTED] was being nominated for the Army War College. (The Logistics Office feels that he will be a good candidate and requests our assistance in getting him selected.)
- d. We discussed the proposed problem of reducing the number of Logistics Office Area Coordinators in the DD/P area. I told Jim I doubted very much that this was a wise move and that even though it might seem a little bit extravagant I thought that having ample coverage was one of the principal reasons why the Logistics Office had been able to deal successfully with the DD/P area divisions and asked him to tell Jim Garrison to go very slowly on any such reduction.
- e. He advised that a staff study on the "redistribution of worldwide stocks" would be coming up shortly.
- f. He reported that all air conditioning units should be installed by about 15 June. He stated that a complete movement plan has been chartered but that dates have not yet been filled in. He will submit complete plans when the date column is filled in.
- g. I asked Jim to explore further the possibility of using the RFC Building, specifically, in terms of what organizational units could be located there, rather than on a straight space basis.
- h. The Real Estate and Construction Division is working on tentative plans for a new CIA utility building which they believe can be built for considerably less than [REDACTED] I told

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Jim that I would like to be cut in on this before it went too far but that I thought we must get moving on the preparation of functional plans so that if and when the opportunity presented itself to get funds for a new building we would be able to move forward without delay.

- i. Jim reported that construction plans for the Technical Services Staff Laboratory and the Records Center were going forward smoothly. I cautioned him that the Records Center to be located at [REDACTED] must be so situated that it would not require an extra guard post.
- j. I approved of Jim taking two weeks of active duty in the Air Force next Monday. He will be in the Office of the Chief of Procurement which should be good for him insofar as his CIA duties are concerned.

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2. I telephoned Jim Harrison of the Joint Committee on Printing to talk to him about the possible merger of the CIA Reproduction Plant in [REDACTED] and the GPO Printing Plant in the South Building. I emphasized to him that CIA was not taking the initiative in this matter but that we were perfectly willing to consider it. He appeared to be agreeable, if not enthusiastic, to the general idea and I told him that after a staff study had been produced by Messrs. [REDACTED] we could get together and talk about it in more detail. (I also told [REDACTED] of this conversation and asked him to pass it on to Jim Garrison.)

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3. I interviewed [REDACTED] of the Medical Office who is being considered for a grade GS-12 Administrative Officer position. He appears to have a good background and good potential but I believe that he needs further training and broader Agency experience before attempting an independent administrative assignment.

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